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July 19, 2004

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated May 17, 2004, setting a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on August 17, 2004, reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejections and allowance of the present application are respectfully requested in view of the following amendments and remarks.